gether in spaced relation; a resilient cushion disposed in said space, said cushion comprising a cylindrically shaped instep portion disposed forwardly of the ball and socket joint and extending transversely of said foot member; and a pair of cylindrically shaped torque action portions 5 disposed adjacent each side of said joint, the parts of said cushion being connected together by a web.

2. In an ankle joint for artificial limbs including a leg section and a foot member: a universal joint connecting the foot member and leg section together in spaced rela- 10 tion to each other; and a cushion disposed in said space, said cushion being resilient and comprising an elongated portion extending transversely of the foot member from side to side thereof and disposed forwardly of said joint; and torque action cushion portions disposed adjacent 15 each side of said joint, said cushion portions being spaced rearwardly of said elongated portion and being adapted to contact both the leg section and the foot member at all times, the parts of said cushion being connected together by web means.

3. A resilient cushion for the ankle joint of an artificial limb comprising: an elongated portion; a pair of members longitudinally aligned in parallelism with the elongated portion and spaced therefrom, said members being spaced apart from each other; and web portions connecting 25 the members to the elongated portion and a second web

member connecting said members together.

4. A resilient cushion for the ankle joint of an artificial limb, comprising: an elongated cylindrical portion; a pair of cylindrical members longitudinally aligned with 30 each other and in parallelism with the elongated portion and spaced therefrom, said members being spaced apart from each other; and web portions connecting the members to the elongated portion and a second web member connecting said pair of members together.

5. In an ankle joint for artificial limbs having a shank and a foot member; a shank plate for attachment to one end of the shank, said shank plate having a transverse recess facing the foot member; a foot plate attached to the foot member and having a transverse recess facing the 40 transverse recess of the shank plate; a universal joint adapted to connect the foot member and the adjacent end

of the shank in spaced relation to each other; a cushion of resilient material disposed between the plates and including an elongated cylindrical instep portion received in the recess of the shank plate forwardly of said joint, and cylindrical torque action portions disposed at opposite sides of the joint, said torque action portions being in substantially longitudinal alignment with each other; and web members connecting the various portions of the cushion together.

6. In an ankle joint for artificial limbs having a shank and a foot member; a shank plate for attachment to one end of the shank, said shank plate having a transverse recess facing the foot member; a foot plate attached to the foot member and having a transverse recess facing the transverse recess of the shank plate; an articulate joint adapted to connect the foot member and the adjacent end of the shank in spaced relation to each other; a cushion of resilient material disposed between the plates and including an elongated cylindrical instep portion received in the recess of the shank plate forwardly of said joint, and cylindrical torque action portions disposed at opposite sides of the joint, said torque action portions being in substantially longitudinal alignment with each other; and web members connecting the various portions of the cushion together.

7. A resilient cushion for the ankle joint of an artificial limb comprising: an elongated portion; a pair of torque action members longitudinally aligned in parallelism with the elongated portion and spaced therefrom, said members being spaced apart from each other; and web portions connecting the members to the elongated portion and a second web member connecting said members to-

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